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1. The following Soviet officers have been recalled from the Soviet headquarters in Rumania:

Lt. Gen. Daniel Davidovitch Erlichman, Chief of the defense section
 Colonel Lev Iefremovitch Aisenberg, of Section 2-b
 Lt. Colonel Isak Saomonovitch Slatman, of the weapons section
 Colonel Jakob Danielovitch Berkovitch
 Major Salomon Bornstein
 Major Vaisman (fmu)

All these officers are Jewish, and it is believed they will be dismissed.

2. The 22 Soviet Jet Fighter Squadron has been stationed at Ghimbav Airport near Stalin (Brasov) since 30 January 1953. The squadron has 18 MIG 15s and four YAK 15s. The ground crew consists of 350 to 400 men.
3. On 1 February 1953 Soviet steamers brought the Soviet 25 Mechanized Guard Division to Braila, 4,000 to 5,000 men strong. The steamers arrived between 2:35 p.m. and 4:35 p.m., but debarkation did not begin until after dark. The ships involved were the OTCHAKOV, NAKHIMOV, DNIEPROPETROVSK and BALAKIAVA. On the afternoon of 2 February 1953 the unit moved to Lacu-Sarat, nine miles southwest of Braila, with its headquarters in the hotel.

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4. Between 10 and 15 January 1953 the Soviet 1 Armored Division reached Timisoara by railraod from Bucharest. The troops left the train at the Gara Fabrica station and moved into the III district of the city. The division commander is Major General Varganov.

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5. Since the close of September 1952, the Soviet 12 Mechanized Division has been in the Arad area. The divisional commander is Lt. General Feodor Petrovitch Simonov. The division consists of the 67, 104, and 125 Motorized Rifle Regiments, and 83 Armored Regiment and the 37 Field Artillery Regiment.

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